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Pennsylvania Broilers

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Pennsylvania Broiler Placements Down 1 Percent from the Previous Week

Pennsylvania: Broiler chicks placed in the Commonwealth during the week ending February 26, 2005, were 2,995,000, down 1 percent from the previous week but 14 percent above the corresponding week a year earlier. Placements during the past 9 weeks were 14 percent above one year ago. Settings for broiler chicks were 4,096,000, down 1 percent from the previous week but up 8 percent from the same week a year ago. The current 3-week total of eggs set is 11 percent above the comparable period last year.

Nineteen States: Broiler chicks placed in the 19 Selected States were 175,684,000, down slightly from the previous week but up 4 percent from the

corresponding week a year earlier. Placements during the past 9 weeks were 4 percent above one year ago. Settings for broiler chicks were 213,200,000, down slightly from the previous week but up 1 percent from the same week a year ago. The current 3-week total of eggs set is 2 percent above the comparable period last year.

Expected Marketings: Expected marketings, based on placements 7-9 weeks earlier, less mortality allowance, in Pennsylvania for the week ending April 23, 2005, will be 2,881,000, up 14 percent from a year earlier. The 19 States expected marketings should total 170,409,000, 5 percent above the previous year.

Broilers Placed, Eggs Set, Expected Marketings

| Period Covered | Pennsylvania | | | 19 States | | |
|----------------------------------|----------------|------------------|-----------------|----------------|------------------|-----------------|
| | Number (1,000) | Percent | | Ni | Percent | |
| | | Previous Week | Year Earlier | Number (1,000) | Previous Week | Year Earlier |
| Broilers Placed | | | | | | |
| Past Week | 2,995 | 99 | 114 | 175,684 | 100 | 104 |
| Past 9 Weeks | 26,667 | NA | 114 | 1,563,580 | NA | 104 |
| Eggs Set | | | | | | |
| Past Week | 4,096 | 99 | 108 | 213,200 | 100 | 101 |
| Past 3 Weeks | 12,304 | NA | 111 | 640,461 | NA | 102 |
| Expected Marketings Week Ending: | | | | | | |
| Apr 23, 2005 | 2,881 | NA | 114 | 170,409 | NA | 105 |

Poultry Slaughter: Broiler-fryers slaughtered in Pennsylvania under Federal Inspection during the week ending February 19, 2005, totaled 2,193,000 head with an average live weight of 5.16 pounds.

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Broiler Eggs Set, 19 Selected States

| | Week Ending | | | | | | |
|---------------------|----------------|----------------|---------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|--|
| State | Jan 22 2005 | Jan 29 2005 | Feb 5 2005 | Feb 12 2005 | Feb 19 2005 | Feb 26 2005 | |
| | Thousand | Thousand | Thousand | Thousand | Thousand | Thousand | |
| AL | 29,956 | 30,340 | *30,031 | 29,976 | 30,075 | 29,756 | |
| AR | *30,971 | 31,023 | *30,987 | 31,083 | 31,217 | 31,259 | |
| DE | 3,772 | 3,898 | 3,916 | 3,929 | 3,927 | 3,929 | |
| FL | 1,338 | 1,368 | *1,357 | 1,343 | 1,359 | 1,357 | |
| GA | 32,913 | 33,689 | 33,908 | 33,521 | 33,448 | 33,642 | |
| KY | 7,059 | *6,876 | 7,175 | 7,237 | *7,281 | 7,392 | |
| LA | 3,984 | 3,984 | 3,984 | 4,044 | 4,044 | 4,043 | |
| MD | 8,147 | 8,584 | 8,882 | 8,900 | 8,947 | 8,931 | |
| MS | 19,830 | 19,770 | 19,693 | 19,558 | 19,465 | 19,277 | |
| ND | 18,144 | 18,376 | *18,196 | 18,623 | 18,651 | 18,208 | |
| OK | 6,448 | 6,511 | 6,453 | 6,467 | 6,306 | 6,364 | |
| PA | 3,887 | 4,001 | 4,060 | 4,065 | *4,143 | 4,096 | |
| SC | 5,068 | 4,956 | 5,142 | 5,316 | 5,180 | 5,279 | |
| TX | 15,248 | 15,209 | 15,107 | 15,131 | 15,202 | 15,235 | |
| VA | 6,370 | 6,542 | 6,496 | 5,980 | 6,424 | 6,528 | |
| CA, MO, TN, & WV | 18,538 | *17,500 | 17,995 | 18,379 | *18,040 | 17,904 | |
| 19 State Total | *211,673 | *212,627 | *213,382 | 213,552 | *213,709 | 213,200 | |
| Previous Year Total | 205,540 | 204,460 | 206,642 | 208,421 | 209,844 | 210,864 | |
| Pct. Of Prev. Year | 103 | 104 | 103 | 102 | 102 | 101 | |

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Broiler Chicks Set, 19 Selected States

| | Week Ending | | | | | | |
|---------------------|----------------|----------------|---------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|--|
| State | Jan 22 2005 | Jan 29 2005 | Feb 5 2005 | Feb 12 2005 | Feb 19 2005 | Feb 26 2005 | |
| | Thousand | Thousand | Thousand | Thousand | Thousand | Thousand | |
| AL | 21,188 | 20,840 | 21,150 | 21,630 | 21,582 | 21,723 | |
| AR | 24,907 | 25,119 | 25,702 | 24,929 | *25,110 | 24,569 | |
| DE | 5,353 | 5,294 | 5,402 | 5,314 | 5,222 | 5,408 | |
| FL | 1,525 | 1,638 | 1,500 | 1,500 | 1,540 | 1,437 | |
| GA | 27,060 | 26,864 | 27,067 | 26,377 | *26,777 | 27,102 | |
| KY | *6,120 | *6,168 | *6,275 | *6,305 | *6,368 | 6,319 | |
| LA | 3,819 | 4,025 | 3,915 | 3,830 | 3,814 | 3,746 | |
| MD | 5,299 | 4,194 | 5,319 | 4,745 | 5,514 | 4,653 | |
| MS | 17,012 | 17,634 | 17,559 | 18,184 | 17,890 | 17,963 | |
| ND | 14,465 | 14,411 | 14,540 | 14,668 | 14,893 | 14,567 | |
| OK | 4,481 | 4,783 | 5,165 | 5,258 | 5,065 | 5,560 | |
| PA | 2,987 | 2,909 | 2,963 | 2,878 | *3,036 | 2,995 | |
| SC | 4,134 | 3,854 | 4,152 | 4,722 | 4,560 | 4,449 | |
| TX | 12,460 | 12,640 | 11,659 | 12,813 | 12,766 | 12,712 | |
| VA | 5,660 | 5,703 | 4,826 | 5,385 | 5,220 | 5,372 | |
| CA, MO, TN, & WV | 16,209 | 15,264 | 15,775 | 17,003 | *16,455 | 17,109 | |
| 19 State Total | *172,679 | *171,340 | *172,969 | *175,541 | *175,812 | 175,684 | |
| Previous Year Total | 165,515 | 168,098 | 168,937 | 167,265 | 167,390 | 168,319 | |
| Pct. Of Prev. Year | 104 | 102 | 102 | 105 | 105 | 104 | |

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